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# Eltham School Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 1



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### **Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School**

#### **Welcome back to term 2**

Winter is on its way and with it Winter Sport begins. Our children will also be involved in a range of other interesting activities including Red Cross People Savers, (Senior classes) EPRO8 finals (year 7 and 8), a visit from Des Hunt (NZ teen fiction author) for our year 7 and 8s, National Young Leaders Day for our year 8 leaders, football sessions with Troy Savage, golf sessions every Monday and Tuesday and a range of other fun events.

#### **Safe Cycling with Constable Jono**

On Tuesday our Senior Room students enjoyed Cycle Safety with Constable Jono and Roadsafes Co-ordinator Marion Webby. The children learnt basic road rules and



practiced using hand signals while riding around a coned track on the tennis courts.



**Kathryn Pick  
Principal**

**Whanaungatanga**

**Honesty**

**Empathy**

**Respect**



Absent from the photo: Xavier Ngatai

### Congratulations to our "Learners of the TERM"...

Room 1 – **Emma McCallum** – For always doing the right thing, putting 100% effort into her work and using her manners.

Room 2 – **Sophie Edwards - Brown** – For having a positive attitude towards everything at school and always doing her best.

Room 3 – **Rhys Dravitski**– For having such a positive attitude every day and being open to challenging himself.

Room 5 – **Taylor Ross** – For always giving 100% to every curriculum area and being so positive about her learning.

Room 6 – **Jamalia Brown** – For always being an amazing role model and being committed to her learning.

Room 7 – **Tui Turner**– For trying her best in all areas of the curriculum.

Room 8 – **Xavier Ngatai** – For always trying his hardest all term and achieving great things.

### 100% Attendance Certificates for Term One

Congratulations to the following students for achieving 100% attendance in term one! We love it when children attend school every day so they don't miss out on any valuable learning. We understand (and appreciate) that children do get sick, and we definitely don't want children coming to school unwell, but it is worth celebrating children who are enthusiastic about school and make a concerted effort to not miss any days of school. We know of children who are really trying hard to make sure they attain a 100% attendance award, and have heard them asking their parents to make appointments after school. Ka pai tamariki!

Well done...

Mason Lewis  
Jamalia Brown  
Nivana-Lee Reid  
Maaka Robinson  
Daytona Marshall  
Mytalia Cassidy  
Cjay McMinn  
Hannah Hodge  
Hunter Lambert  
Sebastian Lambert  
Keegan Lozell  
Kaia Rihi Ropata

Alexis Dravitski  
Paipa Robinson  
Justin Salisbury  
Ryan Bain  
Daniel Salisbury  
Sharmaine Manaena  
Marama Harrison  
Elijah Brown  
Te Rauna Cassidy  
Layla Elliott  
Hailie Shute  
Ahrahnia Van Kuijk-Moffat

Lucas Tonga  
Trinity Wood  
Rebekah Hodge  
Francilla McMinn  
Rhys Dravitski  
Kyra Robinson  
Jesse Shute  
Johanna Somers  
Navaeh Hayman  
Tamar Leatherby  
Treasure Lee Mataio  
Vincent Van Kuijk-Moffat



**Happy birthday to the following people...**

- Renee Wanakore – Room 5 – 13yrs
- Kyra Robinson – Room 6 – 11yrs
- Myana Singh-Awhitu – Room 1 – 6yrs
- Taylor Ross – Room 5 – 13yrs
- Dion Place – Room 5 – 13yrs
- Jorjah – Nevayah Nikora – Room 3 – 8yrs

**Congratulations to our Cool Choices winners...**

- Eva Smith** – Picking up other people’s rubbish.
- Reggae Ngatai** – Showing kindness to others.
- Cruz Hardy** - Being honest.
- Daquedin Morton** – Caring for his peers.
- Tui Turner** – Looking after our school.
- Khodie Woodhead** – Being kind to others in the playground.

**Duffy Books Role Model Assembly – Final day of Term One.**

At our Duffy Books Role model assembly last term, we were very fortunate to have Fifi Colston come to our school to speak to our children. Fifi is a very creative New Zealander who wears ‘many hats’ and has a great number of talents. She is an artist; writer, illustrator, arts and crafts demonstrator, props and costume maker and wearable art designer, She usually has at least five things on the go at one time. 'I have a very low boredom threshold!' she says.

Fifi is a published novelist, her 3rd junior fiction novel ‘Glory’ shortlisted for the LIANZA Esther Glen Award. Her two more recent nonfiction titles on creative costuming for kids ‘Wearable Wonders’ and ‘Ghoulish Get Ups’ have both won awards with ‘Wearable Wonders’ earning the Elsie Locke Non Fiction Medal.

Fifi spoke to us about her love of books as a child and her passion for drawing and making things. Fifi has also worked for WETA and was on What Now regularly to teach children ‘arts and crafts activities’ many years ago with Simon Barnett.

It was such a great privilege to have Fifi join us for a couple of hours at our end of term assembly.

**Our Duffy Role Model Book winners for last term were...**

- Room 1 – Celestial Harrison Maraki
- Room 2 – Khodie Woodhead
- Room 3 – Jorjah- Nevayah Nikora
- Room 5 – Treasure Lee Mataio
- Room 6 – Jamalia Brown
- Room 7 – Jake Hartigan
- Room 8 – Kaia-Rihi Ropata



**Community Award**

During the last week of term one our community award went to our wonderful ‘buddy readers’ who help to support our students who struggle with reading. They are very kind, helpful and supportive. Well done buddy readers!



**Board of Trustees Information**

- Our next Board meeting is on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 11.00am.
- Our by-election voting day will be Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Nominations close on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May.



**Whanaungatanga**

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**Parent Notices**

**Netball Fees** – These MUST be paid before netball starts. Please pay at the school office.

**Old Cellphones:** Please hand unwanted or non-working phones into the School Office. We can send these away and receive rewards for them.

**Senior Room Camp Fundraiser**

Please keep Friday evening - 16<sup>th</sup> June free as we are planning on holding a quiz night as a camp fundraiser. Our year 8 students attended a camp at the beginning of the year at Vertical Horizons. This camp was heavily subsidised to keep the cost down for our parents. This fundraiser is to help make up the remainder of the funds. Our quiz night will be held in the School Hall and will start at 7pm. Please get a team of 6 together and come along to support this. \$10 per person.

**Calendar of Events**

**May**

- 9<sup>th</sup> – Des Hunt – NZ Author working with our year 7 and 8 students in writing
- 10<sup>th</sup> Red Cross People Savers – Room 8
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Red Cross People Savers – Room 7
- 15<sup>th</sup> – National Young Leaders Day in PN – Room 5 leaders
- 18<sup>th</sup> – EPRO8 Finals – Selected students @ Stratford Primary School – 5pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Board Nominations Close

**June**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Voting day for Board By-Election
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Board Training
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Quiz Night – Camp Fundraiser

Thanks to our Sponsors...

**Community Events**

**Anzac Day Service**

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April a community Anzac Day Service was held at the school memorial gates, to commemorate those who fought in the World Wars and lost their lives doing so. Our School Leaders were present to take part in this service and to lay a wreath on behalf of Eltham School. A large display of hand drawn poppies was displayed on our fence. Many community members commented on its significance. The school crosses were placed by the flag pole and a number of our students and teachers were present at the Memorial Service.



Thanks to our school families for encouraging our students to attend this important annual event!

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